

Midland District MYA
Annual General Meeting
Birmingham Sailing Club
8th November 2014

Meeting opened 4.00 pm

Panel:	Vic Bellerson	(Trustee)
	Paul Stubbs	(Secretary)
	Chris Cook	(Councillor)

Apologies

Mike Harris

Minutes

The minutes from 2013 were approved.

Reports

These were read by MD Secretary and MD Councillor.

Peter Jackson and Peter Shepherd from Abington introduced themselves and informed the meeting that their club would sail Footy and R6m class boats.

Officer Nominations (block vote)

Trustees:	Mike Harris and Vic Bellerson
Secretary:	Paul Stubbs
Councillor:	Chris Cook

Proposed Chris Harris
Seconded Rob Wilson

Senior District Measurer:	Martin Dovey
Proposed:	Chris Cook
Seconded:	Peter Shepherd

Approved by vote of club authorised representatives.

Race Date Calendar for 2015

It was noted that some clubs had expected to go through the calendar at the AGM. CC responded that calendar dates had been circulated previously for approvals and that the meeting duration would not be long enough to go through the entire listing line by line.

The calendar dates were accepted by club vote.

Next year the MD AGM date can be brought forward to allow earlier an calendar sign-off.

The MD Secretary will send out the League Events calendar (PS)

The Tri-Sevices event dates were discussed, it was acknowledged by the meeting that these events do not have a higher status than other calendar events.

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Support from Members

Laurie Brown informed the meeting that a range of people in the District were ready to give their time to initiatives. Ideas include:-

- Seminars and Training Days
- Events and race teams
- Promoting the sport
- A 'Bart's Bash' type of event

Establishing working groups was seen as a good way of getting results for selected initiatives.

Race Fees

Laurie Brown and David Alston both raised the subject of fees which had varied somewhat across the District. Paul advised that, since it was down to individual hosting clubs who may have expenses to meet, Midland District could not actually impose a fee level. However, it was agreed that a [non binding] Midland District guideline could be stated. A guideline of £5.00 was proposed by Paul Stubbs, seconded by Chris Cook and unanimously approved.

Prizes were seen as a good celebratory gesture at events but the number and size of prizes awarded were at the discretion of the host club. A particular aim of the prize structure should be to encourage less experienced skippers, this is an area to be worked on next year.

Meeting closed at 5.15pm.